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News

OPGS Transition Information

As of October 1, 2010, the functions of the Office of Partnerships and Grant Services (OPGS) have been transferred to the Office of the City Administrator (OCA) and the Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD). A Nonprofit Resource Development Center is part of the DSLBD, staffed by Lafayette Barnes and Pat Henry. While OPGS' services will continue in various capacities, contacts for the services have changed. Below are the changes as of **beginning October 1, 2010**:

Funding Alert: This weekly publication continues. If you would like to post an announcement in the Funding Alert, contact Pat Henry at pat.henry@dc.gov.

District Grants Clearinghouse: District agency grant opportunities will continue to be listed in the Funding Alert. You can find the opportunities on the OCA's website. All information that should be posted to the Clearinghouse should be sent to Gretchen Greiner-Lott at gretchen.greiner@dc.gov.

Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC): GIRC will be offered as part of DSLBD's Enhanced Business Information Center (e-BIC) at the Martin Luther King Jr., Library. Stay-tuned for information for GIRC operational hours.

Federal Opportunities

Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants. *National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)* announces funds to support the Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants program. This program is designed to encourage innovations in the digital humanities. By awarding relatively small grants to support the planning stages, NEH aims to encourage the development of innovative projects that promise to benefit the humanities.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations and private institutions of higher education.

Deadline: 2/23/2011

Funds: Awards range up to \$50,000 for 40 awards.

Contact: ODH Staff at odh@neh.gov

Website: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/digitalhumanitiesstartup.html>

Grant ID: GD4129

District Opportunities

Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program. *Department of Health (DOH)* announces funds to replicate the evidence-based Carrera Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program that integrates sexuality education within a comprehensive set of support tools that emphasize education, employment and all the other elements that empower young people not to engage in sexually activity that could lead to pregnancy.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and for-profit organizations other than small businesses.

Deadline: 11/16/2010

Funds: \$500,000

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- Contact: Charles Nichols at (202) 442-9414 or charles.nichols@dc.gov.
- Website: <http://capstat.oca.dc.gov/Archive.aspx?url=http://oca.dc.gov/oca/cwp/view,a,1402,q,611061.asp>
- Grant ID: GD4128

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse

The Office of the City Administrator is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://capstat.oca.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
Serve DC	AmeriCorps State Planning Grants	October 22, 2010
Office of the State Superintendent of Education	Pre-kindergarten Program	October 25, 2010
Department of Health	Bureau of Cancer and Chronic Disease Tobacco Control Program	October 29, 2010
Department of Health	FY 2011 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009 Part A - Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA)-Wide Grant	November 1, 2010
Serve DC	FY2011 Americorps State Grants	November 17, 2010
DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities	Arts Grants	July 14, 2010 – February 9, 2011

Foundation Opportunities

United Health Heroes Service-Learning Grant. Youth Service America (YSA) announces funds to encourage young people, partnering with schools and nonprofits, to create and implement local hands-on program to fight childhood obesity.

- Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and individuals.
- Deadline: 10/22/2010
- Funds: Awards range up to \$1,000.
- Contact: Youth Service America
- Website: <http://www.ysa.org/heroes>
- Grant ID: GD4130

Announcements and Resources

Youth Garden Grants: Home Depot and the National Gardening Association (NGA) are partnering to offer the Youth Garden Grants, given to schools and community organizations with child-centered garden programs. Applicants must plan to garden with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18 years. 100 grants are available, with five programs receiving gift cards valued at \$1,000 and ninety-five programs will receive a \$500 gift card to Home Depot and educational materials from NGA. For more information, please visit www.kidsgardening.org/ygg.asp.

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Previous Announcements and Resources

Discovery Impact: Creating Change: Discovery Communications' first pro-bono creative initiative, utilizing the power of our employee workforce to fulfill design, marketing and communications work on behalf of local nonprofit organizations. Nonprofit organizations who are interested in being a part of this event should submit an application outlining their creative needs. Services that Discovery will fulfill include but are not limited to: social media training, event concepting, promotional materials, websites, pamphlets, logos, PSAs, press kits and mission statements. Discovery will select a group of nonprofit clients based on these applications; chosen organizations will be notified in early November. Teams of Discovery employees will complete all of the agreed upon work during a 12-hour marathon event on December 14 at Discovery's headquarters in Silver Spring, MD. Representatives from each selected nonprofit will be required to attend portions of the event. Final work will be presented to the nonprofit clients on December 15. For your nonprofit to be considered for this opportunity, apply online before October 22 at: <http://impact.discovery.com/creating-change/2010/>

Celebrating Solutions Awards. The Mary Byron Project, a national organization working to address the root causes of domestic violence and help build safer, healthier communities, announces awards to showcase and applaud local innovations that demonstrate promise in breaking the cycle of violence. The program provides cash awards of \$10,000 to each organization. The awards would be presented to programs that can serve as models for the nation in their efforts to reduce violence. Eligible applicants are non-profits organizations and government agencies. Application deadline is November 19, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://marybyronproject.org/CelebratingSolutions.html>.

Environmental Excellence Awards. The 2011 SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund Environmental Excellence Awards recognize the outstanding efforts of students and teachers across the country who are working at the grassroots level to protect and preserve the environment. Awards: Eight groups will be selected to receive a \$10,000 award. In addition, one outstanding environmental educator/leader will be selected to receive a \$5,000 award. Eligibility: K-12 schools (public, private, and licensed home schools); community-based projects, such as those managed and operated by community service organizations, public recreation centers, 4-H clubs, and other public, nonprofit groups working to protect the environment at the grassroots level. Deadline: December 5, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://www.seaworld.org/conservation-matters/eea/>.

Free Grant Writing Workshop. The Genesis Consulting Group, LLC will host a free grant writing workshop on Saturday, November 6. The 3-hour, hands-on workshop will cover grant writing essentials including: identifying funding sources, documenting community need, creating a letter of inquiry, developing goals and objectives, evaluating program success, creating budgets that work, developing the work plan, and "selling" your organization.

The workshop will be held at the Bishop Alfred A. Owens Family Life Community Center, at 605 Rhode Island Ave, NE, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. A continental breakfast will be provided. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. For more information, go to: <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e31gq0yk784965ca&llr=jxjsj6dab>

Leavey Awards: Honoring Excellence in Private Enterprise Education. Since 1977, the Freedoms Foundation and the Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Foundation have honored outstanding teachers for bringing passion and creativity to their classrooms as they teach students about entrepreneurship and the free enterprise system. The awards program recognizes educators at the elementary, junior high school, high school, and college levels for innovative and effective techniques in teaching entrepreneurship and the free enterprise education. Up to twenty cash awards are made annually valued at \$7,500 each. One meritorious award of \$15,000 may be made for an

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outstanding entry. Nomination deadline: November 30, 2010. For more information, go to:
<http://www.freedomfoundation.org/Leavy-Awards.cfm>.

The College Board: Costas Awards. The Bob Costas Awards for the Teaching of Creative Writing support exceptional teachers who through their innovative teaching methods motivate their students to write. Winning teachers are awarded grants to enhance successful projects currently underway. Projects can be carried out in school (public or nonpublic), through an after-school writing workshop, or during a summer program. Maximum award: \$3,000. Eligibility: teachers from all academic disciplines grades 6-12. Deadline: November 19, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://professionals.collegeboard.com/k-12/awards/costas>.

The College Board: Inspiration Awards. The Inspiration Awards celebrate America's most improved high schools, those that have improved their academic environment and helped their students achieve the promise of a higher education by initiating unique programs and creating partnerships among teachers, parents, community organizations, and local businesses. Maximum award: \$25,000. Eligibility: secondary schools (public and nonpublic) in which 40 percent or more of the students receive free or reduced-price lunches. Deadline: November 19, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://professionals.collegeboard.com/k-12/awards/inspiration>.

The Lexus Eco Challenge. Scholastic and Lexus, present the Lexus Eco Challenge, a program designed to inspire and empower middle and high school students to learn about the environment and take action to improve it. Students are invited to participate in the fourth annual Eco Challenge for a chance to win part of \$500,000 in grants and scholarships. Middle and high school teams comprised of five to ten students and one teacher advisor are invited to participate in one or both of the two initial challenges, each addressing different environmental elements — land/water and air/climate. The submission deadline for Challenge One (Land/Water) is November 3, 2010. The deadline for Challenge Two (Air/Climate) is January 19, 2011. To learn more, go to:
<http://www.scholastic.com/lexus/>.

NEA Foundation: Learning & Leadership Grants. These grants support public school teachers, public education support professionals, and/or faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education for one of two purposes. Grants to individuals fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes or action research; grants to groups fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment. Maximum award: \$2,000 for individuals and \$5,000 for groups engaged in collegial study. Eligibility: public school teachers grades K-12; public school education support professionals; or faculty and staff at public higher education institutions. Deadline: October 15, 2010. For more information, go to: http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/Learning&Leadership_Guidelines.htm.

NEA Foundation: Student Achievement Grants. These grants provide funds to improve the academic achievement of students by engaging in critical thinking and problem-solving that deepen knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection. Maximum award: \$5,000. Eligibility: practicing US public school teachers, public school education support professionals, or faculty or staff at public higher education institutions. Deadline: October 15, 2010. For more information, go to: http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/StudentAchievement_Guidelines.htm.

Nestlé USA: Very Best in Youth Program. This program honors young people ages 13 to 18 who have excelled in school and who are making their community and the world a better place. Maximum award: \$1,000. Eligibility: youth ages 13 and 18 years of age who demonstrate good citizenship, a strong academic record, and can show how they have made a special contribution to their school, church, or the community. Entrants must have permission from a parent or legal guardian to submit nomination. Deadline: November 1, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://verybestinyouth.nestleusa.com/About/Default.aspx>.

Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program annually honors middle and high school students across the United States for helping the less fortunate, promoting health and safety,

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protecting the environment, and serving their communities through many other volunteer activities. Applications must be completed by November 1, 2010. To learn more and to apply, go to:
<http://spirit.prudential.com/view/page/soc>.

Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award for Exemplary Humanities Programming. The American Library Association Public Programs Office is accepting nominations for the 2011 award. Public or private school libraries that serve children in any combination of grades K through eight and that conducted humanities programs during the 2009-10 school year are eligible. The award consists of a \$4,000 honorarium and a plaque, to be presented at the 2011 ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans. To be considered, applicant libraries must have conducted a humanities program or program series during the prior school year (2009-10). For more information, go to: <http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/offices/ppo/awardsgrants/jaffarian/jaffarian.cfm>.

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